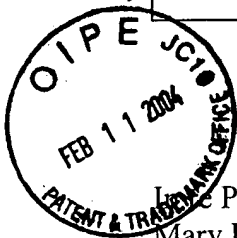


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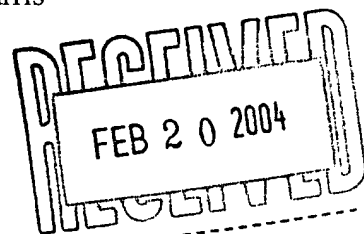
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated 7 October 2003 (Paper No. 22), for which a response is set to expire on 7 January 2004. A petition for an extension of time of one month is included herewith. As 7 February 2004 fell on a Saturday, and this response is filed on Monday, 9 February 2004, it is considered timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.